



PHILADELPHIA
TRICENTENNIAL YEAR

PHILMONT
MOBILE RADIO CLUB



THE Blurb

December

1982

W3RQZ • W3TKQ • W3QV

Merry
Christmas

TO ALL..



KUNCEVICH

AND TO ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

VOLUME XXXII

THE BLURB is published monthly by and for the members of THE PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB, INC. Our purpose is to promote Amateur Radio in general, and Mobile Radio in particular. Copying and quoting, with a credit line, is permitted. We gladly exchange publications with other clubs and should be addressed to the Editor. THE BLURB subscriptions are available to non-members at \$6.00 per year, and should be sent to the Treasurer.

DEADLINE - To be assured of current publication, all copy must be in the hands of the Editor by the 12th of the month, and in no case, later than the Directors' Meeting.

EDITOR - E. W. "Woody" Haldeman, W3PST
1732 Loney Street
Philadelphia, PA 19111

Contributing Editors: N3ADI, W3BBB, W3AWG, W3D\$G, W3QC, K3GNM

THE BLURB Departments

Art Work Sam Kunceovich
Swap 'n' Shop W3BBB
Mailing W3AHZ, W3BBB, K3HIE, WA3KLR, W3VVS

CLUB STATIONS

W3RQZ 1176 Old York Road
 Abington, PA 19001
 Trustee: H. P. Bohlander, W3VVS

W3QV 8200 Ridge Avenue
 Philadelphia, PA 19128
 Trustee: C. R. Spencer II, W3BBB

W3TKQ The Franklin Institute
 Philadelphia, PA 19104
 Trustee: R. E. Madara, W3PWG

CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT Howard C. "Gil" Gilpin, W3SRU
 652 Sumneytown Pike
 North Wales, PA 19454

V. Pres. William F. "Bill" Chedeville, W3GQD
 1365 Mark Drive
 West Chester, PA 19380

Secretary Donald B. "Don" Gordon, WB3KOJ
 641 Kismet Road
 Philadelphia, PA 19115

Treasurer Edward "Ed" Masarsky, KB3IV
 15 Poe Avenue
 Wyncote, PA 19095

DIRECTORS

W3GIF(E82) W3SGR(E82) K3KUD(E83) W3ZPP(E83)
 AK2I(A) K3GNM(A) W3IRS(A)

THE PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB, INC.

meets on the first Monday of each month (2nd Monday
Sept. only) at 8:00 p.m. in the Franklin Institute,
21st & The Ben Franklin Parkway.

ALL VISITORS ARE WELCOME

Club Nets are conducted weekly. Schedules and
frequencies to be announced in THE BLURB.

T H E P R E Z S E Z - - -

This is my last writing as President.
It has been a proud year for me, while
observing and participating in the many
activities Phil-Mont has conducted.
All of them have been successful,
primarily due to the support my fellow
Officers and you, Members, have given
to them.

I wish to thank the 1982 Officers,
Directors and Committee Members for
their outstanding efforts in my behalf
and for Phil-Mont.

And to 1983's incoming Officers, I wish
all of the best during your year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to
all!

73,

Gil, W3SRU

NOVEMBER 1982 - GENERAL MEETING

(Minutes taken by WB3KQH-Butchered by WB3KQJ)

Following a very fine Old Timers Night Dinner, the 396th General Meeting was called to order at 8:02 (Natalie's watch is slow) by W3SRU. The minutes of the October Directors' Meeting were read by WB3KQH. They were approved with a minor change. - KB3IV gave the Treasurer's Report. (Remember O.M. the final accounting is coming soon) Ed reminded club members to renew their ARRL memberships through the Club and to send checks to him made out to Phil-Mont. (please not to Ed!) - W3VVS reported that the meeting was attended by 63 members (how's that look on your flow chart, Gil?) and 14 guests. Paul introduced them: Jackie Chedeville, Elsie Bardsley, Sabinia Benais, Betty Clifford, Peggy Snyder, Elaine Spencer, Sherrie Gordon, Kay Russell, Lil Shapiro, Sharon Masarsky, Marion Fox, Walt Kenworthy (WA3IDQ), John Christopher (KI3J) and Jay Gaul (W3IM). - AK2I is looking for help in the reading of the W5VI report (Jake can use all the help he can get). - Gil read two letters thanking Phil-Mont for their help in recent public service events. He also told of receiving, along with Holmesburg ARC, a Proclamation from Mayor Green, acknowledging Amateur Radio Week. - WB3CMM reported that Phil-Mont has been asked to assist LBARA on November 28, during the Philadelphia Independence Run (Rumor has it that Woody is entered). Volunteers should contact Bill. - W3AWH reported that all is going well with W3TKQ. John then put on his other hat and presented the 1983 Slate of Candidates. They are:

PRESIDENT - KB3IV W3ZPP
VICE PRES.- KC2HX WB3CMM
TREASURER - W3IIN W3AWG
SECRETARY - W3UY WB3KQJ
DIRECTORS - W3AA - N3ADI - N3ALW - W3LKI (Vote for 2 Directors)

The meeting was turned over to W3GQD who introduced Jay Gaul, who gave a most interesting program on Mobile CW. Jay also told some humorous stories about Hamming in years past. - The meeting was adjourned at 9:25. During the refreshment period Chuck (W2HSA) showed films of Phil-Mont events from years ago.

NOVEMBER 1982 - DIRECTORS MEETING

The meeting, held on November 17, at the home of AK2I, was called to order at 8 P.M., by W3SRU (Unfortunately most of the members were still downstairs, including me). In attendance were: W3's IIM, IIN, GQD, UQ, SRU, AA, ZPP, AWG, AWH, GIF, SGR, DSG, BBB, KUD, WB3CMM, KB3IV, N3ADI, W2GMA, WB2S2F, WA2RDC, KC2HX and N2CYA. (Sue came in late with a poster touting Arnie for Secretary - someone should tell Arnie and Sue that he is running for V.P.) - The minutes of the last General Meeting were read and approved. KB3IV's Treasurer's Report was approved as read. (There were too many people at the meeting to argue with him)- Committee Reports: DX-N3ADI told the group that the bands are in fairly good shape. (That's a change from the previous gloom & doom reports) - Repeater-W3BBB asked (JOLD!) the Board to approve the purchase of encoding and decoding equipment which will be used for a secondary 2 meter repeater control link. This link will replace the telephone line currently in use (Jim is really becoming anti Ma Bell). The expenditure was approved. A conversation on repeater improvement ensued. Such things as remote inputs, a new machine (That's W3AWH, the big spender's idea) and new sites were discussed. The repeater committee (W3BBB and W3AWH) (I didn't know you were on that one also, John) will develop a long term plan. Members with any ideas are encouraged to contact them. - KB3IV indicated that the Old Timers' Night Dinner was attended by 64 people. The club made a small profit (Which AWH will find a way to spend) - W3TKQ- AWH (I think that we should just say "ditto said") reported that the UV3 has been repaired and that the Club will purchase it for TKQ. John said that he would like to purchase a new beam for the station (Boy, can he spend money). This was tabled in favor of waiting until the new bands are operational and the manufacturers introduce new antennas. - W3SRU appointed W3BBB and W3IIM (Watch him, his XYL is running for Tres.) to the Board of Elections. - KC2HX proposed the elimination of the "kitty" at the General Meeting, in favor of the Club paying for refreshments (I had hoped that The Good Doctor, formerly, The Imperial Wizard, was going to donate the goodies). The motion was passed. - Gil adjourned the meeting at 9:25. Thanks to our host and hostess, Jake and Lorraine, for their hospitality.

Respectfully Submitted

Donald B. Gordon

The Second Annual Philadelphia Independence Marathon went as planned on Sunday 28 Nov 82, at about 10:15 a.m. Okay, so it was fifteen minutes late. LBARA with some help from some members of Phil-Mont supplied the communications as requested. It was my assignment to report anything special from the halfway mark(app.), milepost 13. My #2 Jr.Op was in it so I had a special interest, also it gave me some insight from another point of view. Mile 13 was about a $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile from the highest point in Philadelphia and the 2-mile grind up Germantown Avenue showed on many faces as they passed my station. The jr op paced himself very well, I thought, passing me at 1:44 elapsed time and finishing 3:29⁺. I doubt very much if I can bicycle that fast for 26 miles, 385 yards. Shortly after he passed, it began to drizzle and shortly after that, the hypothermia cases started to show and 147.63/03 began heating up. We started out on 144.65/145.25 but had to change over due to interference problems, probably from cable TV. Someone, apparently with cerebral palsy, passed mile 13 at about 2:15 e.t., and the last I heard, he was still at it, on the West River Drive at about 3:50 e.t. All seemed to go well, we did our job handling communications from start to finish and all in between, including ambulances. The following calls participated: KA3HWD, N3CQH, KR2T, WB3FCO, WB1AOF, KA3EHL, W0RSJ, W3IIN, W3IIM, WB3BOD, WB3JHX, KA3JCR, N3DM, W2DKI, W3SRU, W3ETT, WB3IRE, KI3J, N3DBV, W3LKI, N3BDT, W3CBF and W3PST. N3AKJ did a little more than we did, he RAN the whole 26 miles. Condratulations, Paul.

= = = = =

Adendum to Swap 'n' Shop de w 3 b b b - - -

WM-2000 Swan SWR PWR meter	\$40.00
BW 6-pos. coaxial switch	15.00
Hustler Resonators, 75, 40, 15, 10.	per each 10.00'
" MO-1 mast (new)	15.00
" attachment for mounting three resonators	
at one time	5.00
Jake, AK2I	

from the W5YI REPORT - -

Collins Radio Company new WARC band HF crystals for KWM-2 and S-line series - \$7.00 per each - Crystal frequency range - Collins part #

10.00 - 10.20 MHz	290-9042-000
18.00---18.20 " "	290-9082-000
24.80 - 25.00	290-9116-000

Also available is Service Bulletin #AC-3804 for KWM-380 Microprocessor based HF XCVR at \$80.00. Order from

Dennis Snapp; Collins Radio Co., Station 184-200, Cedar Rapids IO 52406

CQ Magazine is putting out a new Mag "Popular Communications," primarily for the SWL. W5YI also observes that from literally dozens of CB rags ten years ago, we now have zilch. (Can't say that I'm sorry.)

= = = = =

and from the ARRL LETTER - -

The ARRL Executive Committee met on 20 Nov 82 at Hq. and held wide ranging discussions on a number of topics not the least of which was the asking FCC to delay the NO-CODE ~~EXAM~~ Notice of Proposed Rule Making, for 18 months. The Committee feels that adding an additional license class at this time would serve to compound any problems associated with transferring the administration of testing from the FCC to the Amateur community.

As most of you know by now, we have WARC, at least, in part, and it is the "in part" that is going to cost somebody. The ARRL reminds us that we are allowed A1 and F1, cw and rtty with a maximum input to the final of 250 watts on 10.100-10.109 and 10.115-10.150 MHz only. That tiny segment of 6 kHz is off-limits. You should expect more than just the "pink" slip if you are caught.

The most recent callsigns in this area as of 17 November are -

KX2R, KC2UJ, N2DYA, KA2QQP, KK3T, KC3EL, N3DDG, KA3KBD, WG4V, KF4KH, N4HZC, KB4CVZ.

On 17 Jan 1983 the government of Sri Lanka will issue a stamp to commemorate the 53rd year of Amateur Radio activity in that country. Persons wishing to purchase this new stamp and first day cover may forward requests no later than 07 Jan 83 to Mr. P. Kulatileka, The Director, Philatelic Bureau, 4th floor, Ceylinci House, Columbo 1. Enclose three IRCs

A p p l i c a t i o n f o r M e m b e r s h i p

S W O P ' n ' S H O P d e w 3 b b b

* * * * *

Phil - Mont's December Calendar

- page 5

A M A T E U R R A D I O W E E K d e w 3 s r u

Phil-Mont joined the Holmesburg ARC at Penn's Landing on 24 October to celebrate Mayor Green's Proclamation designating 24-31 October as Amateur Radio Week. The Holmesburg ARC also operated the William Penn Birthday commemorative station, W3WP, for twenty-four hours as part of the conclusion of the celebration of Philadelphia's 300th Birthday.

Our Communications Vehicle, MOCOM V, provided talk-in and liaison on 147.63/.03, and we had numerous visitors throughout the day. Included were two radio officers from the German luxury liner, MS Astor, which was docked at our location. Also included were W3WP (who, with FCC approval, loaned the use of his callsign to the Holmesburg ARC) and his family. Bill lives in the Baltimore area and came up to participate in the day's events, for which he is to be commended.

K3UKW, representing the Holmesburg ARC, and W3SRU, representing Phil-Mont, accepted the Proclamation, personally, from Mayor Green.

Philmonters participating were W3SRU, W3BBB, KB3IV, AK2I, N3ADI, W3GIF, N3ALW, and K3PHC. W3IIM and W3IIN prepared and delivered an attractive sign for MOCOM V for the event. My thanks to all.

My thanks also to K3UKW and the Holmesburg ARC, and to W3JWF and the USS Olympia RAC for their hospitality and assistance.

* * ** ** * *

and from the back seat - -

As we close out another year it is time to sit back and reflect on some of the things that helped make the BLURB for '82. It is easy to overlook the routine jobs. As we review the Masthead we see BBB and ask what did he do besides collect info for the Swap 'n' Shop? Not muchm except to make sure that his facilities were available every last monday of the month. Then there is the gopher(go fer) W3AWG on occasions too numerous to mention picked up the BLURB from the printer W3KIF. Then there's the gang from W2-land, RDC, YDS & RRC, who assisted with ideas for and delivery of the front cover. This brings us to Sam, our Intrepid Carfoonist, who for(How many, Sam?) years has drawn our front cover without which our BLURB would just be an ordinary rag. As is the usual when kudos are doled out, some get left out, so, please remember, even small contributions(articles, not money) help make your BLURB. But our major(in so many ways) contributor WB3KOJ, with his keen, rapier-like wit added spice to our pages. (And let's not forget those who were on the receiving end.) So, the er, your BLURB Committee wish all a very HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!!!

B A L L O T

for PRESIDENT - X only one(1)

() - KB3IV () - W3ZPP

for Vice-President x only one

() - KC2HX () - WB3CMM

for Treasurer - x only one(1)

() - W3IIN () - W3AWG

for Secretary - x only one(1)

() - W3UY () - WB3KOJ

for Directors - x only two, too, to(2)

() W3AA () N3ADI () N3ALW () W3LKI

This Ballot MUST be in the hands of the Judge of Elections no later than 2000 hrs, 06 Dec 82. If you must mail, put this Ballot in an envelope marked "BALLOT" and nothing else, then put that envelope in another envelope addressed to W3AWH. This mailing envelope should be identified with your call. (As someone observed, we didn't seem to have all this trouble before the "Dirty-Dozen.")

Profiles and such - All of the candidates are not strangers to any of you. KB3IV is our present Treasurer, and the less said about his "Comic Book" at this time, the better. W3ZPP is our NCS Manager, and I think a former President, but maybe not. KC2HX, our ex-Imperial Wizard, also, ex-WB2LGY, also ex-President. WB3CMM is another NCS Manager, also one of our activities manager like bike racing, marathons and such, and another ex-President. W3IIN, our Calligrapher and Activities Creator, when she isn't stirring things up in her kitchen she can be seen(heard) stirring things up at meetings. W3AWG, ex-President and all-around good egg. W3UY, ex-Treasurer, so keeping books, etc., should be no problem for him. WB3KOJ, well, what can I say, except, that he is not an ex-Secretary, yet. And now we come to the Directors, and you-all know who they are, or what they are going to be, and besides, I don't have all that much space left. MAY THE BEST PERSON WIN. In any case, PHIL-MONT is bound to come out the winner!

the blurb

A Philmont Mobile Radio
Club Publication

124 Central Avenue
North Hills, PA 19038



VIRGINIA HARING W3IIN
2113 EDGEHILL DRIVE,
FURLONG, PA. 18925

R

FIRST CLASS MAIL

HAUSKAA JOULUA

FELIZ NAVIDAD

ZYCZENIA

JULEHILSEN

BUON NATALE

Merry Christmas

Happy Hanukkah

VESELÉ VĀNOCE

EN JOLÖNSKNING

VEŠOTYCH ŚWIAT BOŻEGO

NARODZENIA

Joyeaux Noël

GLEDELIG JUL

HERZLICHE WEIHNACHTSWÜNSCHE